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THE COVER

Very few piano stylists have attained the wide popularity of George Shearing, So universal is his appeal that in the past few years Capitol has released no less than twelve Shearing albums. His brand new one, "Shearing on Stage!" is the first to be released simultaneously in monophonic and stereophonic sound. The album was recorded live and in stereo during a concert at Southern California's Claremont College. It's the great Shearing sound with new tunes and new excitement, as the bona fide applause will verify.



Angie Dickinson co-stars with John Wayne, Dean Martin and Ricky Nelson in Warner's "Rio Bravo." Bravo!

PUNISHMENT

Every once in awhile there seems to be an outbreak of thinking by deejays along the line that their life is too easy and something ought to be done about it. When this happens they start battering their bodies and minds with marathon disk spinning sessions, etc.

A rash of such activity broke out recently and several existing records for self-inflicted punishment were broken. One jock went on a 200-hour walkathon while another set up housekeeping in a subway. Some of the ingenious headline-hunters take up flagpole sitting or enter truck races.

One jockey went so far as to make a scientific project out of his marathon. Medical researchers were called in to observe the effects. After 201 hours and 10 minutes, the platter spinner was a nationally known personality. He was also the victim of mild hallucinations.



Peggy Lee has new EP package titled for her current hit single, "Alright, Okay, You Win." Swings.



The Salmas Brothers, Guy, George and Dan, will soon make disk debut, having signed Keen wax pact.



DEFINITION

There are those who claim that rock 'n' roll music defies description, but the United States Information Agency has tackled the job.

In a pamphlet, "America Illustrated," which is designed to acquaint Poland and other Iron Curtain countries with the American way of life, the USIA sums up our popular

music trends by stating: "The current trend in popular music is away from the soloist and toward the vocal group. Some of the new groups are teenagers. All of them sing in ear-shattering close harmony with frenetic enthusiasm and expert rhythmic twists."

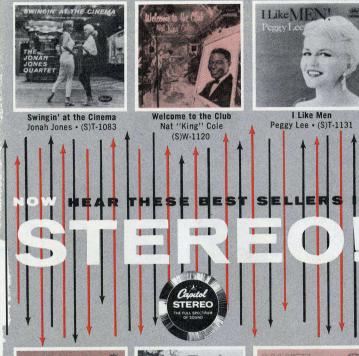
Nothing like putting our best foot forward.



Richard Cannon has new hit bid on Cap wax, "Tonight I'm A King." Flip is evergreen "You'll Never Walk Alone." Hub Atwood backstops.



Frances Langford recently returned to the entertainment scene after a year's absence, on NBC-TV spectacular "Francis Langford Presents."





Stereo Concert Kingston Trio • (S)T-1183



Joy of Living Nelson Riddle • (S)T-1148



Salute to the Smooth Bands Freddy Martin • (S)T-1156



MIX HI-FI & ART

A combination of electronic music and non-objective art films is the newest craze among San Francisco "intellectuals." Shows presented in the Morrison Planetarium have been drawing capacity crowds. Titled "Vortex," the film is projected on the dome of the planetarium.

The show was first exhibited at the Brussels World's Fair.

• FATS & SON WAX

Add another to the list of parent-child teams in show business: Fats Domino and Son. Imperial Records recently signed Antoine Domino Jr., ten-year-old offspring of Fats Domino, to a recording contract. The youngster is scheduled to record by himself and with his dad. Like his father, he sings and plays piano.





Karen Steele, who entered show biz as a singer, co-stars with Randolph Scott in Warner's "Westbound" pic.

REAL GUNN

Since jazz was heard on "Peter Gunn" it's

Spread to several more whodunnits.

The hippest of the real hip guys are

Not as hip as private eyes are.

Police lieutenants all hear sweet licks

While their beats fill up with beatniks.

And thugs are square 'till jazzmen play 'em

Music for committing mayhem.

The best composers now all try to

Dream up music just to die to.

You know a show is highly rated

When its music's hit paraded.

The thing we notice at the last is:

Jazz ain't dead but all the cast is!

- bolof

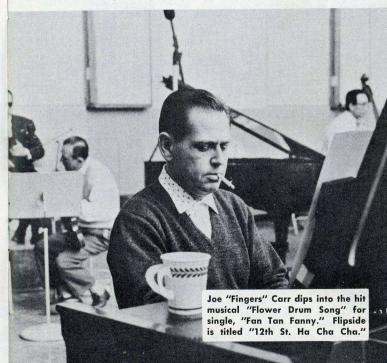
GERMAN JAZZ CLUB

The hobby of a jazz-loving American GI has mushroomed into a German-American jazz club which grew to 200 members in a couple of months.

For some time, Pfc. Mal Sondock, assigned to the AFN in Germany, has been taping all the modern jazz concerts he could find in Germany. Since they

could not be played by the AFN due to copyright restrictions, Sondock began to play them for small groups of fans. The club's 200 members now meet each week at the America House in Munich.

After his Army hitch is up in a few months, Sondock plans to make a lecture tour on the history of jazz.





ANSWER

One young music student has solved a problem which is common among music students. This particular young lady was constantly being chided for forgetting her sheet music when she appeared for her piano lesson. Finally the teacher gave her a case to carry her music in. This solved the problem so immediately that the teacher complimented her student for remembering so well.

"It's easy," said the budding artist, "I never take the music out of the case."



The fabulous strings of Franck Pourcel's French Fiddles create a distinctive sound for his debut single on Capitol wax "Only You."



Great humorist Andy Griffith has brand new comedy hit disk with a fabulous reading of "Hamlet." It ain't Shakespeare but it's funny.

R&H IN A RUT

With the emergence of "Flower Drum Song" as a hit album, the team of Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein has no less than five albums riding the best selling charts! In addition to "Flower Drum Song." there are two versions of "South Pacific" and the sound track albums of "The King and I" and "Oklahoma." The Capitol sound track album of "Oklahoma" has been a best seller for more than five years and "The King and I" has occupied the charts for twoand-one-half years.



Les Brown's great aggregation are heard at their swingingest in new Cap deck "The Les Brown Story."



Hillard Street makes strong hit bid with Cap disk, "Comprende (Understand)" and standard "There's No One Like You." Jack Marshall ork.



12-year-old Dodie Stevens made wax debut with an immediate hit disk, "Pink Shoe Laces." Talented.



Gwen Verdon, star of Broadway musical smash "Redhead," is heard on Victor's original cast package.

LUCKY

Many people (especially dice shooters) think of "seven" as a lucky number. However, Vincent Lopez, who is a numerologist, considers his "lucky number" to be eight. His new version of his old theme song "Nola," has been numbered so that the digits add up to eight. The number is 503. In addition his new Carlton Records album carries the serial number 12302. Any one for arithmetic?



Tommy Sands has a new single "happening" all over country, "Is It Ever Gonna Happen?" Flip is "I Ain't Getting Rid Of You."

SOUNDS UNLIMITED



Look to Your Heart • Frank Sinatra • W-1164



Porgy & Bess Hank Jones (S)T-1175



T-1170



Listen to the Quiet Joe Bushkin (S)T-1165



Red Nichols and the **Five Pennies at** Marineland (S)T-1163



Blues with a Kick **Bobby Hackett** (S)T-1172



Sophisticated Pipes Don Baker • (S)T-1171

HOW!

Errol Garner, who has racked up quite a few "firsts" in his long career as a jazz pianist, has scored a new scoop. He recently played a concert for the Navajo tribe of Window Rock, Arizona. He is the first jazz soloist to perform on the Navajo Reservation.

He was not paid off in blankets.



Milton Berle feels that Joan Bradshaw needs help in writing names of recent "Music Hall" TV guests.

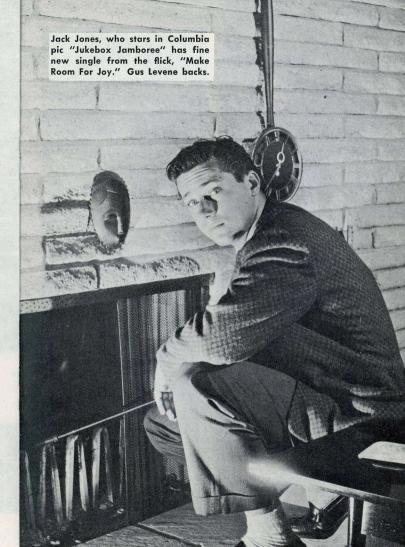
• THIN MAN PENS

As a close friend of Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin, it was probably inevitable that actor Peter Lawford would write a song. His first effort is titled "The Thin Man's Woman" and will be introduced on the "Thin Man" TV show in which Lawford stars.

Lawford describes the song as one which should be spoken rather than sung.



After a long absence from the wax scene, Phil Harris returns with a new RCA Victor album, "The South Shall Rise Again." Funny stuff.





Gogi Grant has chart-bound new album on RCA Victor, "Torch Time."



Dennis Day and his sister-in-law, Ann Blyth, will work together for the first time on an album of Cole Porter show tunes for Design wax.

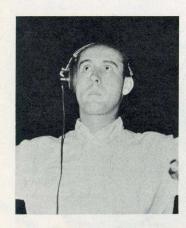
SIZZLE!

The name of an orchestra, "David Duke and His Red Hot Musicians," recently turned out to be quite prophetic. Scarcely an hour after the ork finished playing a dance at the Legion Hut in Pinehurst, North Carolina, the place burned down.

Wonder if the blaze could have been extinguished by the Firehouse Five Plus Two?



Jazzdom's great, "Big T," Jack Teagarden, has new Cap album with descriptive tag "Shades of Night."



Composer-conductor Henry Mancini has smash album on Victor with his "Music from 'Peter Gunn'" album. Ray Anthony has hit single on the main theme from the TV mystery.

SILENT

Congressional secretaries will have to eat their lunches unaccompanied by music. When the subject of installing music in the new cafeteria of the New House Office Building was brought up recently, Speaker Sam Rayburn ruled that it was a useless expenditure.

Speaker Sam Rayburn evidently has a secretary whose nerves and digestion do not need soothing.



World's best known aquarium was inspiration for new Cap album "Red Nichols and the Five Pennies at Marineland." Whale of a platter.



POCKETFUL

Salesmen often "measure" a customer's pocket with an eye toward emptying it, but one manufacturer has been measuring pockets with the idea of filling them . . . with music!

"Music in your pocket" is the theme of Admiral's sales pitch for miniature radios and the company has been doing research on the size of the usual American pocket as well as the public's music listening habits.



Singer Marty Robbins turns deejay to plug his new wax, "The Hanging Tree" from Warner pic of that title.



Organist Don Baker has fine new Cap album, "Sophisticated Pipes."



Buddy Bregman recently was host to his fiancee, Anna Maria Alberghetti, on TV "Music Shop" show.



Cliff Richard, England's hottest recording artist, has a new one bidding for chart honors in the States, titled "Livin' Lovin' Doll."



Joe Bushkin's latest piano album on Capitol label invites one and all to "Listen to the Quiet." It is NOT just a 30 minute silence.

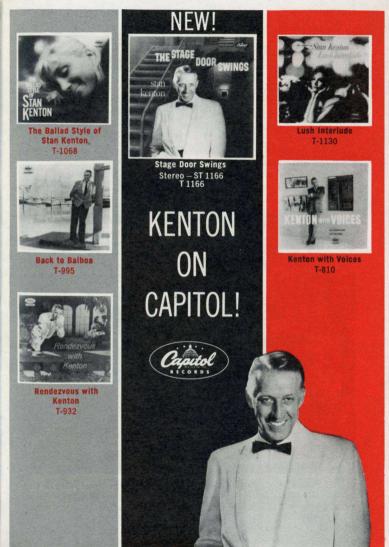
HIT BEGS

New Broadway hit musical, "Redhead," is a recent example of the show world's unpredictable nature. Before the show's star. Gwen Verdon, and the present production team decided to produce it, the book kicked around for some ten years without creating much interest. During this time it was offered to a large number of stars and most of the usual production companies. The show is expected to have returned its original cost some time in June.

DUKE'S FAN CLUB

Although most fan clubs are composed of starry-eyed girls and women, there is at least one remarkable exception. A group of jazz critics, musicologists and recording executives have formed a "fan club" in behalf of Duke Ellington. Known as the "Duke Ellington Jazz Society," the advisory board includes such luminaries as John Wilson, N. Y. Times jazz critic; Irving Wilson, Columbia Records exec; and jazz critics Leonard Feather, Dom Cerulli and Barry Ulanov.

The society plans lectures and concerts to point up Ellington's contribution to American music.



EARLY BIRDS

A recent gimmick by a Toledo night club operator calls to mind the war years when factories were working around the clock. The operator has inaugurated a policy of dancing from 5:30 to 9:30 a.m. The move is designed for cab drivers, waitresses and other workers who can't go out during the evening.



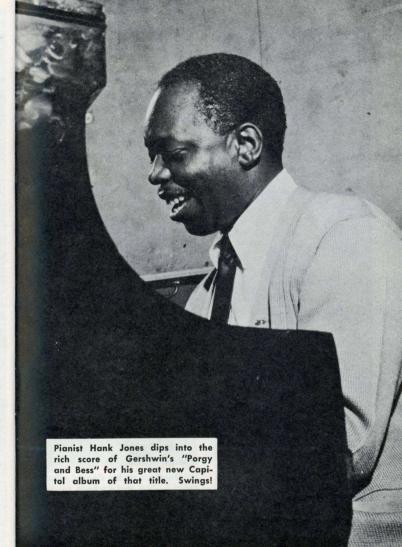
One of "Some of Manie's Friends,"
Tony Martin appeared on the recent
TV tribute to the late Manie Sacks.



English humorist Peter Sellers is making Stateside wax debut with 2 comedy sides, "I'm So Ashamed" and "A Drop of the Hard Stuff." Music provided by Ron Goodwin.

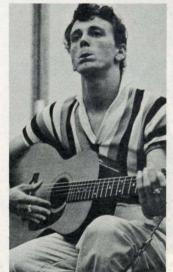


The Johnny Otis Show series on Cap features vocal by Mel Williams on swinging new single, "My Dear."



• GI's DIG DISKS

The importance of music to men in the U.S. Armed Forces is underlined by the fact that GI's are spending more than \$20,000,000 per year for phonograph records. They are also spending some \$7,500,000 for phonographs. Their preferences lean toward LP's over single records and it is estimated that 25% of the albums are in the classical vein.



Gene Vincent and His Blue Caps are threatening the hit charts with a new single, "Who's Pushin' Your Swing?" Flip: "Over the Rainbow."

• MODUGNO WINS AGAIN

Domenico Modugno has won the San Remo Song Festival for the second straight year with his song titled "Piove" (It's Raining). Modugno won the Italian tunefest last year with "Nel Blu Dipinto di Blu," one of 1958's biggest hits in the United States. This year's winning song will probably be released in this country under the title "Ciao Ciao Bambina,"



Jeri Southern makes Capitol album debut in fine new package tagged "Jeri Southern Meets Cole Porter."

PROBLEM

If Shaye Cogan, new MGM Records songstress, should have a hit it could conceivably cause her some domestic tension. Miss Cogan is the wife of Phil Kahl, Roulette Records exec.

MARTIN-CHRISTY INKED

Two long-time Capitol artists, June Christy and Dean Martin, recently signed new long term contracts with the label. Martin has been with Capitol since 1948 and Miss Christy first recorded in 1945.



Ventriloquist Jimmy Nelson will soon make his recording debut on Crickett Records. His alter ego, Danny O'Day, will record with him.



Dakota Staton's great new Cap deck is entitled "Crazy He Calls Me."



The great trumpet of Bobby Hackett is again heard to great advantage on Cap pack "Blues With A Kick."



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